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PROGRAMMING AND COORDINATION MATTERS RELATED TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

Proposed programme of work of the Division for the Advancement of Women for the biennium 1996-1997

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

In regulation 3.1 and rules 103.2, 103.3 and 103.6 of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation of the United Nations, the intergovernmental body concerned with specific programmes is requested to provide comments on the proposed work programme for the next biennium. The note contains initial proposals being considered by the Secretary-General for incorporation in the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997. The Commission is requested to make any comments that it feels might need to be taken into account by the Secretary-General in preparing the proposed programme budget.

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1. The Commission on the Status of Women may wish to review the proposed programme of work on the advancement of women and provide its comments to the Secretary-General. It should be borne in mind that, in accordance with the terms of regulation 3.1 and rules 103.2, 103.3 and 103.6 of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (ST/SGB/PPBME/Rules/1 (1987)), while the suggestions or recommendations on the substance of the work programme by the intergovernmental body concerned may be taken into account in the course of the preparation and review of the programme budget, the Secretary-General cannot commit himself to the adoption of such suggestions or recommendations before the completion of the proposed programme budget.

2. The proposed programme of work contained in the annex is submitted in accordance with the relevant regulations and rules governing programme planning. It is based on the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, as revised by the General Assembly in its resolution 47/214.

3. The programme for the advancement of women is based on the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women. The work for the biennium 1996-1997 is currently governed by the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 and contains only output that has been explicitly mandated by recent resolutions or by the Forward-looking Strategies. It does not take into account any additional work that may be mandated as a result of the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace.

4. Under the programme of work for the biennium 1996-1997, priority will continue to be given to providing the Commission on the Status of Women with high-quality substantive support in the form of policy reports and servicing. Priority will also be given to the substantive and technical servicing of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in the light of an increasing volume of reports for consideration. Efforts will be made to implement the responsibilities assigned to the Division in the area of women's human rights by the World Conference on Human Rights in the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action. A particular effort will be made to strengthen the capacity of the Division in the area of inter-agency coordination and relations with non-governmental organizations and national machinery for the advancement of women.

5. Bearing in mind this information, the Commission may wish to comment on the proposed programme of work and proposed priorities of the Division for the Advancement of Women for the biennium 1996-1997.

Annex

PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE DIVISION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

A. Subprogramme 1. Equality

1. Current situation and orientation of the subprogramme for the biennium

1. The subprogramme consists of substantive support to the Commission on the Status of Women and technical and substantive support to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, in pursuit of the objective of equality, as set out in the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women. Progress in implementing the provisions of the medium-term plan has been steady and has been sharpened by the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, the results of which may change the orientation of the programme budget for 1996-1997 reflected in these proposals. During the biennium the programme will seek to improve the quality of the servicing provided to the Commission and the Committee in implementing their long-term mandates. This will include the preparation of priority themes under the rubric of equality for consideration by the Commission, as well as undertaking the analyses and providing the information necessary for the Committee to complete its tasks under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. It will also involve assisting in implementing new or reinforced mandates in the area of women's human rights arising from the World Conference on Human Rights. This implies an increase in the use of the communications procedure for the Commission on the Status of Women, including publicizing it and encouraging more communications; monitoring the incorporation of gender concerns in the work of other bodies in the human rights regime; support to the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women and other efforts to implement and monitor the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women; development of an optional protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women that would include a petition procedure; and, in cooperation with the Centre for Human Rights, increasing the training and advisory services on reporting and other aspects of treaty implementation related to gender, human rights and the Convention.

2. Activities

2. The activities conducted by the Division will consist of:

(a) Work designed to promote the development of legal instruments:

(i) Analytical studies on the development of an optional protocol for the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, including a review of the functioning of such protocols in other human rights instruments and consultation with States parties;

(ii) Study, based on national experience, of national approaches to the implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women, with a view to determining the effectiveness of the instrument and the possible need for a further instrument;

(b) Work related to external relations:

Efforts to engage non-governmental organizations in support of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women through presentations to meetings of non-governmental organizations working in the area of women's human rights, briefing individual non-governmental organizations and facilitating communication between non-governmental organizations and members of the Committee. Monitoring of and presentations to regional intergovernmental bodies, as necessary, on regional instruments on women's human rights, such as the Convention on the Elimination of Violence against Women of the Organization of American States;

(c) Substantive output:

(i) Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its fifteenth and sixteenth sessions (1996, 1997);

(ii) Reports to be submitted to the General Assembly on the status of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (1996, 1997);

(iii) Reports to be submitted to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on (a) a separate analysis of initial and periodic reports by States parties to the Convention being presented to the Committee (30 reports, 1996, 1997); (b) the identification of trends in implementation of article 4 of the Convention (1996) and other specific articles to be determined (1997) or specific recommendations made by the Committee to aid it in its consideration of reports by States parties (two reports: 1996, 1997); (c) ways and means of expediting the work of the Committee (1996, 1997); (d) implications of the priority themes of the Commission on the Status of Women for the work of the Committee (1996, 1997);

(iv) Reports to be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women on: (a) the list of confidential and non-confidential communications relating to the status of women (1996, 1997); (b) the elimination of stereotyping in the mass media (1996); (c) the priority theme to be selected at the thirty-ninth session (1995) of the Commission on the Status of Women (1997); (d) the work of the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women (1996);

(d) Substantive services for:

(i) The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (annual: 1996, 1997): preparing in-session drafts of the Committee's report; assisting the Committee's working group in drafting;

(ii) The Commission on the Status of Women (annual: 1996, 1997): preparing in-session drafts of the Commission's report; servicing its working groups, especially the Working Group on Communications; assisting in the drafting of resolutions;

(iii) The General Assembly (annual: 1996, 1997): advice on the texts of resolutions; summaries of the discussions for internal use;

(e) Technical (secretariat) services for:

(i) The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (annual: 1996,1997);

(ii) The Meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (biennial: 1996);

(f) Ad hoc expert group meetings and related preparatory work:

(i) An ad hoc expert group in 1996 on a priority theme under equality, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-ninth session for consideration at its forty-first session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject;

(ii) An ad hoc expert group in 1997 on a priority theme under equality, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-ninth session for consideration at its forty-second session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject.

3. Published material

3. The following recurrent publication will be produced: The Work of CEDAW, vols. 5 and 6 (annual: 1996, 1997).

4. Operational activities

4. The Division's operational activities will consist of two subregional seminars on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (1996, 1997) (extrabudgetary).

B. Subprogramme 2. Development

1. Current situation and orientation of the subprogramme for the biennium

5. The subprogramme consists of substantive support to the Commission on the Status of Women in pursuit of the objective of development, as set out in the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women. Progress in implementing the provisions of the medium-term plan has been steady and has been sharpened by the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, the

results of which may change the orientation of the programme budget for 1996-1997 reflected in these proposals. During the previous biennium priority was given to the preparation of the 1994 World Survey on the Role of Women in Development. This publication will have been discussed by the General Assembly at its fiftieth session. During the biennium the programme will seek to improve the quality of the servicing provided to the Commission in implementing its long-term mandates. This will include the preparation of priority themes under the rubric of development for consideration by the Commission, as well as undertaking analyses and providing the information on gender and development necessary for incorporation in reports prepared by other Secretariat units, including those related to sustainable development and the eradication of poverty.

2. Activities

6. The activities undertaken by the Division will consist of:

(a) Substantive output:

(i) Report to be submitted to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council on effective mobilization of Women in Development (1997);

(ii) Reports to be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women on priority themes under the rubric of development, to be determined by the Commission at its thirty-ninth session (1996, 1997);

(b) Substantive services for:

(i) The Commission on the Status of Women (annual: 1996, 1997): preparing in-session drafts of the Commission's report; assisting in the drafting of resolutions;

(ii) The Economic and Social Council (biennial: 1997): introducing the item on effective mobilization of Women in Development; responding to questions; assisting in the drafting of resolutions;

(iii) The General Assembly (biennial: 1997): advice on the texts of resolutions; and preparing summaries of the discussions for internal use;

(c) Ad hoc expert group meetings and related preparatory work:

(i) An ad hoc expert group in 1996 on a priority theme under development, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-ninth session for consideration at its forty-first session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject;

(ii) An ad hoc expert group in 1997 on a priority theme under development, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-

ninth session for consideration at its forty-second session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject.

C. Subprogramme 3. Peace

1. Current situation and orientation of the subprogramme for the biennium

7. The subprogramme consists of substantive support to the Commission on the Status of Women in pursuit of the objective of peace, as set out in the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women. Progress in implementing the provisions of the medium-term plan has been steady and has been sharpened by the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, the results of which may change the orientation of the programme budget for 1996-1997 reflected in these proposals. During the previous biennium a new effort was made to undertake an analysis that would suggest how gender factors can be incorporated in the implementation of the Agenda for Peace and in maintaining statistics on women in decision-making. This work will continue during the biennium. During the biennium the programme will also continue to improve the quality of the servicing provided to the Commission in implementing its long-term mandates. This will include the preparation of priority themes under the rubric of peace for consideration by the Commission, as well as undertaking analyses and providing the information on gender and peace necessary for incorporation in reports prepared by other Secretariat units.

2. Activities

8. The activities conducted by the Division will consist of:

(a) Substantive output: reports to be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women on priority themes under the rubric of peace, to be determined by the Commission at its thirty-ninth session (1996, 1997);

(b) Substantive services for the Commission on the Status of Women (annual: 1996, 1997): preparing in-session drafts of the Commission's report; assisting in the drafting of resolutions;

(c) Ad hoc expert group meetings and related preparatory work:

(i) An ad hoc expert group in 1996 on a priority theme under peace, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-ninth session for consideration at its forty-first session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject;

(ii) An ad hoc expert group in 1997 on a priority theme under peace, to be selected by the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-ninth session for consideration at its forty-second session; a Secretariat background paper will be prepared on the subject.

3. Published material

9. The following recurrent publication will be produced: update of the database on women in decision-making positions (1997).

D. Subprogramme 4. Monitoring, review and appraisal of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women

1. Current situation and orientation of the subprogramme for the biennium

10. The subprogramme comprises the monitoring, coordination and outreach activities of the United Nations programme on women, including its efforts to incorporate gender issues in the mainstream work of the United Nations. During the preceding biennium, this subprogramme was almost exclusively concerned with the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women. However, it was the area of the programme where the least progress was achieved in terms of the medium-term plan; accordingly, the implementation of this subprogramme will be given particular attention by the Fourth World Conference on Women, the results of which may change the orientation of the programme budget for 1996-1997 reflected in these proposals. During the biennium the programme will also continue to improve the monitoring for the Commission in implementing its long-term mandates. There will be an increased effort to improve system-wide coordination in the advancement of women based on a revision of the system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women to be prepared in the light of the Conference. This will involve systemizing the preparation and dissemination of information on the advancement of women, especially to national machineries but also to non-governmental organizations.

2. Activities

11. The activities to be undertaken by the Division will consist of:

(a) International cooperation:

(i) Liaison with a network of non-governmental organizations concerned with the advancement of women, including the Vienna, Geneva and New York committees on non-governmental organizations (1996, 1997);

(ii) Substantive support to meetings of non-governmental organizations that take place at the time of the annual sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Commission on the Status of Women;

(b) Substantive output:

(i) Reports to be submitted to the General Assembly on the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women (1996, 1997);

(ii) Reports to be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women on: (a) system-wide monitoring of progress in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies (1996); (b) revision of the system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women (1996);

(c) Substantive services for:

(i) The General Assembly (annual: 1996, 1997): introducing the item on the advancement of women; responding to questions; preparing summaries of the discussion for internal use; providing assistance in the drafting of resolutions;

(ii) The Economic and Social Council (annual: 1996, 1997): introducing the item on the advancement of women; responding to questions; preparing summaries of the discussion for internal use; providing assistance in the drafting of resolutions;

(iii) The Commission on the Status of Women (annual: 1996, 1997): introducing items; preparing in-session drafts of the Commission's report; providing assistance in the drafting of resolutions.

3. Published material

12. The following recurrent publications will be produced:

(i) Directory of Focal Points within the United Nations System on Questions Relating to Women (1996);

(ii) Directory of National Machinery for the Advancement of Women (1996, 1997);

(iii) Women 2000 (four issues in 1996 and 1997);

(iv) WIS Accessions List (two issues in 1996 and 1997).

4. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

13. The following services and material will be provided:

(i) Technical services to the annual ACC inter-agency meetings on women: preparing background papers and reports of the meetings (1996, 1997);

(ii) Coordination with other international and world conferences and events: (a) United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (HABITAT II) (1996); (b) International Year for the Eradication of Poverty (1996).

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Accreditation of non-governmental organizations in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/108

Note by the Secretariat

1. By resolution 48/108, the General Assembly decided, taking into account Commission on the Status of Women resolution 37/7 1/ to adopt the modalities for the participation in and contribution to the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace and its preparatory process by non-governmental organizations, particularly those from the developing countries, set out in the annex to the resolution.

2. The purpose of the present note is to provide the Commission on the Status of Women, as the preparatory body for the Conference, with relevant information on those non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or on the Roster of the Council that have requested accreditation to the Conference and its preparatory process. The deadline for the submission of applications for non-governmental organizations was 13 January 1995. The Conference secretariat has decided, however, to consider applications received up to 30 January 1995.

3. Each of the 302 organizations listed in the annex below has been evaluated by the Conference secretariat, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/108, and has been found relevant to the work of the Conference. Accordingly,

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the Conference secretariat recommends to the Commission on the Status of Women, as the preparatory body for the Conference, the accreditation of those organizations. At its thirty-eighth session, in 1994, the Commission on the Status of Women accredited 102 non-governmental organizations. 2/ Additional names of non-governmental organizations will be included in addenda to this note.

Notes

1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1993, Supplement No. 7 (E/1993/27), chap. I, sect. C.

2/ Ibid., 1994, Supplement No. 7 (E/1994/27), chap. I, sect. C.

Annex

LIST OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR ACCREDITATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 48/108

1. 8TH DAY CENTER FOR JUSTICE
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To seek to cause a shift in local, national and international priorities toward men and women who are poor and politically marginalized.

2. ABORIGINAL NURSES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
Canada
Membership type: National
Relevance: To conduct research on women, health and development; violence against women, and child abuse in aboriginal communities.

3. ACTION FOR DEVELOPMENT (ACFODE)
Uganda
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve the lives and status of women, enabling them to realize their full potential and talents and to enhance their contribution to national development.

4. ACTION FOR WORLD SOLIDARITY-WOMEN'S WING
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To train women NGOs to equip themselves with necessary skills for mobilizing and organizing grassroots women for empowerment

5. ADEFRA-BLACK GERMAN WOMEN/BLACK WOMEN IN GERMANY
Germany
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote careers for youth and adult education taking into account the social political equality of black German women and other ethnic minorities.

6. ADVICE DESK FOR ABUSED WOMEN
South Africa
Membership type: National
Relevance: Empowers women through public advocacy, community education and counselling, provide support services and lobbies for changes in legislation and policy making.

7. AFRICAN CONFEDERATION OF COOPERATION SAVINGS AND CREDIT ASSOCIATION
Kenya
Membership type: International
Relevance: To give gender training to women leaders for the advancement of women in savings and credit cooperatives.

8. AFRICAN WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
United States of America
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: Working to increase women's political participation in policy making, their voices in exposing violation of human rights and gain access to education, and health service.

9. AGENCIA LATINOAMERICANA DE INFORMATION (ALAI)
Ecuador
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To promote democratization of communications and systematize proposals concerning women and communication.

10. AGRI-SERVICE ETHIOPIA
Ethiopia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To enable rural women to improve the conditions of their homes; and to raise the productive potential of household members.

11. AGROMART FOUNDATION
Sri Lanka
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To empower women through training for employment and enterprise development.

12. AHMEDABAD WOMEN'S ACTION GROUP (AWAG)
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To raise women's image; establish women's equal status and contribute to women's participation in the development o the country.

13. AIDOS -- ITALIAN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT
Italy
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promote the themes of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace and seeks to support women and development projects.

14. AKHIL BHARTIYA MANUSHIKI EVAM MAHILA VIKAS SANGATHAN (ALL INDIA WOMEN'S STUDIES AND DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION)
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To conduct research on a wide range of issues related to women and work as an information and communication centre.

15. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: Chapter of IAUW
Relevance: To promote higher education for women.

16. AMERICAN FAMILY THERAPY ACADEMY
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To promote and advance the role and experience of women in family therapy and to support public education and social policy that fosters health and justice for women within the families.

17. ANGOLAN ACTION FOR DEVELOPMENT (A.A.D.)
Angola
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve rural life by introducing food-processing technologies to women; to defend human rights and democracy and to protect the environment.

18. ANGOLAN WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
Angola
Membership type: National
Relevance: To help women struggle for emanciation and increase their participation in development, training programmes for health and other community activities.

19. APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT (APACE)
Australia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote renewable energy technologies and develop indigenous capacity to ensure that the technology transferred is appropriate to men and women.

20. APPROTECH ASIA,INC. (ASIA ALLIANCE OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY PRACTITIONERS)
Philippines
Membership type: INTERNATIONAL
Relevance: To provide opportunities for establishing linkages and cooperative programs for women in Asia capable of managing and leading NGOs; undertake exchanges and workshops for women in various aspects of development work.

21. ASDEKA ELCHAB (FRIENDS OF THE PEOPLE SOCIETY)
Egypt
Membership type: National
Relevance: To contribute to the welfare of poor families particularly women and children, to train women and to arouse their awareness of their civic and political rights.

22. ASEAN CONFEDERATION OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS (ACWO)
Philippines
Membership type: International
Relevance: To secure reforms necessary to give full meaning to equality, status and opportunities and promote peace and understanding and increase mutual support among women.

23. ASIA-PACIFIC WOMEN IN POLITICS NETWORK (APWIP)
Korea
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: To create a just and equitable society through women's empowerment and to increase women's role in policy-making.

24. ASSOCIATION DES FEMMES EDUCATRICE DU MALI
Mali
Membership type: National
Relevance: To educate and train women, to inform them about their rights and to fight abuse and violence against women.

25. ASSOCIATION DES JURISTES DE COTE D'IVOIRE (A.F.J.C.I.)
Cote D'Ivoire
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote family, women and children's rights and fight all kinds of discrimination against women.

26. ASSOCIATION FEMMES JEUNESSE DANS I'ENVIRONNEMENT MAGHREBIN
Morocco
Membership type: National
Relevance: To publicize the role of women in development and to develop and support training and educational projects for women and youth.

27. ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT (ASA)
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote socio-economic self-reliance and sustainability for men and women, to provide relief to people affected by natural disasters and to provide comprehensive health and family planning services.

28. ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF FEMINISM
Hong Kong
Membership type:
Relevance: To promote understanding and concern about problems faced by women; to eliminate discrimination against women and to ensure free development of women's potential.

29. ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase the educational and employment opportunities for women and girls in all fields of science and raise public awareness of the scientific and technological skills and contributions of women.

30. ASSOCIATION MAROCAINE DES DROITS DES FEMMES (AMDE)
Morocco
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes women's civic and social rights and helps women victims of violence.

31. ASSOCIATION MAROCAINE POUR LA PROMOTION DE I'ENTREPRISE FEMININE
Morocco
Membership type: National
Relevance: Encourages women enterpreneurs; facilitates their access to credit and organizes training workshops and seminars.

32. ASSOCIATION OF DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN BANGLADESH (ADAB)
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To aid, stimulate and promote development and facilitate efforts of NGOs in organizing and providing common services and materials for development. Acts as the secretariat of the national NGO Forum preparatory committee for Beijing.

33. ASSOCIATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (ANGOS)
India
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To bring about effective change in the status and well-being of women and children and to protect the rights of women.

34. ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS, THE
Malaysia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To advocate, amend, repeal laws that discriminate against women and children and to work for changing laws relating to women.

35. ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LIBRARIANS IN NIGERIA
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: To collect, document, store and disseminate information on the diverse activities and programmes of women in rural areas.

36. ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS OF JAMAICA
Jamaica
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and strengthen the role of women in development and in local enterprise.

37. ASSOCIATION POUR LA PROMOTION DE LAS FEMME SENEGALAISE (APROFES)
Senegal
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote women's social, economic and cultural status.

38. ASSOCIATION POUR LE PROGRES ET LA DEFENSE DES DROITS DES FEMMES MALIENNES (APDF)
Mali
Membership type: National
Relevance: To create awareness among women about their rights, fight against discrimination, sexism, traditional practices which violate women's rights and lobby to change laws which discriminate against women.

39. AUSTCARE
Australia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To develop and maitain financial support for refugee women to fund programs and projects designed to alliviate problems faced by refugees, mainly women and children.

40. AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of WCC)
Relevance: Supports women's advancement, and spiritual development.

41. AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, INC.
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of IFBPW)
Relevance: To promote women's role in business and professional life.

42. AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON REFUGEE WOMEN
Australia
Membership type: National Network
Relevance: To work as a coordinating and policy development body on problems affecting refugee women.

43. AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S HEALTH NETWORK
Australia
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To identify and address issues that affect women's health.

44. AWAL WOMEN ASSOCIATION (AWS)
Bahrain
Membership type: National
Relevance: To enhance women's status; to promote their cultural and social awareness and integrate women in the main stream of development as full partners.

45. BANGLADESH NATIONAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE TOWARDS BEIJING
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To coordinate and consolidate the preparatory activities related to the Fourth World Conference on Women.

46. BAPHALALI SWAZILAND RED CROSS SOCIETY
Swaziland
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote peace, mutual understanding and friendship and improve the status of women and children.

47. BLACK WOMEN PROMOTION AND RESEARCH PROJECT
United Kingdom
Membership type: International
Relevance: To provide a forum for black women to discuss issues relevant to their needs.

48. BLACK WOMEN'S AGENDA, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To protect and advance the needs and rights of black women in a constantly changing society, exclusively through research, dissemination of information, advocacy, education and training.

49. BOSTON WOMEN'S HEALTH BOOK COLLECTIVE, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To help individuals and groups to make informed personal and political decisions about issues affecting health & medical care, especially as they relate to women.

50. BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF UZBEKISTAN
Uzbekistan
Membership type: National
Relevance: To create favourable conditions for business women in the process of converting to a free market economy and provide employment opportunities for women.

51. CADIC (COLLECTIF D'ACTIONS POUR LE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNAUTAIRE ET INDUSTRIEL)
Burundi
Membership type: National
Relevance: To launch programmes on women and development.

52. CARE
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To help poor women in developing countries in their efforts to achieve social and economic well being and support sustainable processes that create competence.

53. CARIBBEAN PEOPLE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CARIPEDA)
St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Membership type: International
Relevance: To conduct research on the impact of enclave industrialization on women workers, analyze global and local conditions as well as the extent and nature of enclave industrialization and provide training for women in development.

54. CATHOLIC INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
United Kingdom
Membership type: International
Relevance: To overcome poverty and injustice through education, information and advocacy and to conduct program focusing on rapid industrial change and its social and cultural consequences on women.

55. CENTER FOR POLICY ALTERNATIVES
United States of America
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To serve as a central resource for progressive information and a catalyst for action on a wide range of economic, social and environmental policy issues and to encourage citizen decision-making in areas of environment, women's economic justice and health.

56. CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WOMEN AND SOCIETY
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To promote and engage in interdisciplinary research, scholarship, training and educational programs on topics related to the experiences, roles and contributions of women in society.

57. CENTRE FOR ACTIONORIENTED RESEARCH ON AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT (CARAD)
Cameroon
Membership type: National
Relevance: To work with grass roots groups ,especially the marginalized groups, women, the rural poor, children, the elderly and handicapped and to research their relationship to development.

58. CENTRE FOR AFRICAN FAMILY STUDIES
Kenya
Membership type: International (Chapter of IPPF)
Relevance: To inform and educate the people on population and family issues and to offer information and documentation services on family planning.

59. CENTRE FOR CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL STUDIES-NAGPUR
India
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To undertake studies in the fields of cultural, economic and social change and initiate programmes for advancement of women.

60. CENTRE FOR FEMINIST RESEARCH, YORK UNIVERSITY
Canada
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To facilitate feminist research with focus on youth, violence against women, women and development and women with disabilities.

61. CENTRE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide an interface between research and action for sustainable development for women and other marginalized social groups, with a view to their social and economic advancement through awareness and empowerment.

62. CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT STUDIES
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To enhance women's particiption in the development process and assist in the framing and implementation of measures for realising women's equality.

63. CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S RESEARCH (CENWOR)
Sri Lanka
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To undertake and promote systematic research including action-oriented studies relating to women and explore alternative approaches to development with special reference to women.

64. CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES AND DEVELOPMENT, PUNJAB UNIVERSITY
India
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To change the attitudes/values in society regarding women's roles and rights and to promote awareness among women and men, of the need to develop and utilize women's full potential.

65. CENTRO DE ATIVIDADES CULTURAIS ECONOMICAS E SOCIAIS
Brazil
Membership type: National
Relevance: To develop training projects for the less priviliged women, to advise and provide consultancy services and to promote studies and research.

66. CENTRO DE INFORMACION V DESARROLO DE LA MUJER-CIDEM
Bolivia
Membership type: National
Relevance: Information centre promoting and supporting women's role in development and undertake programs in the areas of women's legal rights and health education.

67. CENTRO DE INVESTIGACION SOCIAL TECHNOLOGIA APROPIADA Y CAPACITACION (CISTAC)
Bolivia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To assist women in realizing their use of appropriate technology for their income-producing activities.

68. CENTRO DE INVESTIGACION SOCIAL, FORMACION Y ESTUDIOS DE LA MUJER (CISFEM)
Venezuela
Membership type: National
Relevance: To realize and provide services to obtain the participation of women in society; to undertake studies, stimulate and support activities to enhance the status of women and to offer training to women leaders.

69. CENTRO ECUATORIANO PARA PROMOCION Y ACCION DE LA MUJER
Ecuador
Membership type: National
Relevance: Centre for promoting women's, in various sectors.

70. CENTRO FEMINISTA LATINOAMERICANO DE ESTUDIOS INTERDISCIPLINARIOS
Venezuela
Membership type: International
Relevance: To study the feminist movement, work to end sexual exploitation, trafficking in women, and violence against women and promote women's rights.

71. CHILDREN'S FUND OF UZEBEKISTAN
Uzbekistan
Membership type: National
Relevance: To give legal and financial assistance to children, mothers and families.

72. CHINA NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON AGING (CNCA)
China
Membership type: National
Relevance: To conduct research on aging population women.

73. CHINA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (CWAST)
China
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote women scientists' full participation in the coodinative development of economics, science and technology and society and to enhance their roles in decision-making.

74. CLUB UNESCO FEMININ LA COLOMBE
Togo
Membership type: National
Relevance: To contribute to the sociocultural development of women and young girls and to inform and educate women and young girls about their rights.

75. COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICE INTERNATIONAL
Philippines
Membership type: International
Relevance: To equip uprooted persons to address social and mental health problems and to help to prevent men, women and children from becoming uprooted by promoting peace, respect for human rights and the equitable distribution of resources.

76. CONFEDERATION OF NETHERLANDS TRADE UNIONS, THE
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: To represent the interests of women workers as well as unemployed and those dependent on social benefits.

77. CONGREGATIONS OF SAINT JOSEPH
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To meet the needs of society and to improve the quality of life for all people,particularly women through education, health care , social service and spiritual support.

78. COORDINATING ASSEMBLY OF NGOS
Swaziland
Membership type: National
Relevance: To network women NGO organizations and coordinate ngo activities leading up to 1995 and conduct management training for women.

79. COPTIC EVANGELICAL ORGANIZATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICES (CEOSS)
Egypt
Membership type: National
Relevance: To develop women in poor areas, both rural and urban, in pursuit of peace, justice and the integrity of creation, to address the problems of health, education, economics, communication and participation.

80. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN NAMIBIA
Namibia
Membership type: National (Chapter of WCC)
Relevance: To mobilize women to participate fully in decision-making processes and in the struggle for justice, peace , equality and integrity of creation and to challenge structures which enhance racism and sexism.

81. COUNTRY WOMEN ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA
Nigeria
Membership type: National (Chapter of A.C.W.W.)
Relevance: To mobilise and organize rural women into cooperative societies and to ensure empowerment of rural women.

82. CUSO
Canada
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase women's capacity to organize to improve their own and their families' social, economic, and political condition and to ensure achieving gender balance in all aspects of its work.

83. DAVAO DEL NORTE SERVICE CENTER FOR WOMEN INC.
Philippines
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase the number and effectiveness of women leaders , to reduce the incidence of violence against women and children and to raise the socio-economic and political status of women.

84. DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST WOMEN OF THE PHILIPPINES (DSWP)
Philippines
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To seek concrete expressions of gender equality by combating all forms of discrimination against women and develop alternative women's selfhelp projects to enhance their selfconfidence and economic independence.

85. DEUTSCHE WELTHUNGERHILFE (GERMAN AGRO ACTION)
Germany
Membership type: National
Relevance: To support self-help programs in developing countries where women represent the main target groups ; to provide counselling to women in organizational and legal matters and to seek to improve the living conditions for the rural and urban populations.

86. DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FARM RADIO NETWORK
Canada
Membership type: International
Relevance: To provide to small-scale farmers, information on sustainable agriculture, nutrition and health with focus on rural women.

87. DIALOGUE ON DIVERSITY, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To advocate women's concerns in national and international arenas; enhance the social-economic status of women and promote peace, equality and justice.

88. ECUMENICAL WOMEN
NAMIBIA
Membership type: National
Relevance: To identify and address social problems in the community to set up pressure group to counter violence against women, teenage pregnancy and child abuse etc.

89. EGYPTIAN MEDICAL WOMEN ASSOCIATION, THE (EMWA)
Egypt
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote mother and child health through medical and social services and provide educational and training services on maternal and child health.

90. EGYPTIAN ORGANIZATION FOR FAMILY WELFARE
Egypt
Membership type: National
Relevance: Seeks to strengthen families and provides various services to women and children.

91. EMANCIPATION COUNCIL
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: Advise the government on the development and implementation of emancipation policies in all fields and participate in the advisory committee on equal opportunities of the European Union.

92. EMPOWERMENT AND ACTION RESEARCH CENTRE (EMPARC)
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and support research and activities aimed at empowering disadvantaged women to improve their conditions of living and to conduct projects with focus on women's reproductive rights , AIDs prevention and control and violence against women.

93. EUROPEAN BLIND UNION
The Netherlands
Membership type: International (Chapter of World Blind Union)
Relevance: To improve the economic, social, political, cutural and educational status of blind and partially sighted women and promote their rights in political participation , media and communication and reproductive health.

94. EUROPEAN UNION OF WOMEN (BRITISH SECTION)
United Kingdom
Membership type: National (Chapter of EUW)
Relevance: To promote social and economic progress; to serve the cause of peace and to enable women to make contribution to international understanding.

95. FAMILY CARE INTERNATIONAL, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To improve women's health and wellbeing in developing countries, with specific emphasis on reducing maternal mortality and morbidity.

96. FAMILY LIFE PROMOTION AND SERVICES
Kenya
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide reproductive health education and services to the urban informal sector of people.

97. FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF UGANDA
Uganda
Membership type: National (Chapter of IPPF)
Relevance: To offer family planning services to women and men thus improving the health of mothers and children.

98. FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION FUND
United States of America
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To focus on domestic violence eduation, prevention and public policy reform and develop pioneering prevention strategies in the justice, public education, and the health fields to protect women.

99. FEDERACION NATIONAL DE MUJERES DE NEGOCIOS Y PROFESIONALES DE CHILE
Chile
Membership type: National (Chapter of IFBPW)
Relevance: To improve the situation of women in the areas of legal rights, education, health and employment.

100. FEDERALLY EMPLOYED WOMEN, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To eliminate sex discrimination and advocate for equal employment opportunity through a very active legistive program.

101. FEDERATION DES ASSOCIATIONS FEMININES DU CAMEROON (FAFCAM)
Cameroon
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote women's involvement in economic entrepreneurial and civic life in the Cameroon.

102. FEDERATION DES FEMMES BENINOISE
Benin
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote women's participation in development at all levels and in all fields.

103. FEDERATION OF FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATIONS, MALAYSIA
Malaysia
Membership type: National (Chapter of IPPF)
Relevance: To improve women's health and status and address and integrate the issue of education, economic empowerment with family planning and decision-making rights.

104. FOUNDATION FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT (FIND)
Pakistan
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To work in the fields of environment and development with emphasis on gender balance and women in development issues.

105. FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN
Thailand
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To help women in distress ; to provide informal education and produce educational media for women in different social sectors.

106. FRANCOIS-XAVIER BAGNOUD CENTER FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To promote scholarship, professional training and public education on the interrelationships between health and human rights, with particular emphasis on aids and the rights and health of women and children.

107. FREEDOM FROM HUNGER
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To create, develop, demonstrate and disseminate worldwide and innovative programs to eliminate chronic hunger by providing resources and information that empower the poorest families and communities to help themselves.

108. FRIENDSHIP AMBASSADORS FOUNDATION
United States of America
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To establish links among women artists and to create a cultural network for those women interested in global issues and to promote global understanding through the advocacy for and facilitation of cultural exchange .

109. FUNDACION DIALOGO MUJER
Colombia
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To mobilize women for the Beijing Conference and to disseminate relevant information.

110. FUNDACION GUATEMALA
Guatemala
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To facilitate the improvement of the conditions for the social,economic and political development of youth, women and groups living in poverty.

111. GENERAL ASSEMBLY BINDING WOMEN FOR REFORMS, INTEGRITY, EQUALITY, LEADERSHIP AND ACTION (GABRIELA)
Philippines
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To seek to build a broad and dynamic women's mass movement that shall distinctly articulate and carry forward grassroots women's perspectives on local, national and international concerns.

112. GIRL GUIDE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of WAGGGS)
Relevance: To promote and encourage the development of girls and women.

113. GLOBAL COALITION FOR AFRICA
United States of America
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: To be a forum for policy-makers from Africa and the principal donor countries to discuss and agree on African economic and political issues, including gender and women's role in development.

114. GRAMEEN BANK
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide credit to landless and assetless rural poor of which 93% are women.

115. GROUPE DE RECHERCHE D'ETUDES ET DE FORMATION FEMMESACTION (GREFFA)
Burkina Faso
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote the participation of women in development.

116. GRUPO DE EDUCACION POPULAR CON MUJERES A.C. (GEM)
Mexico
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote consolidation of women's opportunities and projects for gender, democracy and quality of life, in order to assist women in working to achieve their demands.

117. HAITIAN AMERICAN WOMEN ADVOCACY NETWORK, INC. (HAWANET)
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women with knowledge, skills and strong self-esteem to enable them to triumph over the social, economical, educational and legal system.

118. HARLEM WOMEN'S COMMITTEE/NEW FUTURE FOUNDATION INC.
United States of America
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To promote social, economic or/and political issues of concern to grassroots women.

119. HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: Alleviates hunger, poverty in over 25 countries and conducts projects with emphasis on empowering women through education and training.

120. HONG KONG FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CENTRES
Hong Kong
Membership type:
Relevance: To promote women's development and gender equality and work to raise women's competence and awareness through educational activities.

121. HONG KONG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
Hong Kong
Membership type: (Chapter World YWCA)
Relevance: To develop women'd potentials and strengthen their contributions to the community by fostering their leadership skills.

122. HONG KONG WOMEN'S FOUNDATION LIMITED
Hong Kong
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To promote advancement of women; enlist public support for services for women and carry out research and studies to better understand women's problems.

123. INDEPENDENT COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND QUALITY OF LIFE, THE
France
Membership type: National
Relevance: To develop and disseminate a fresh vision of international population issues.

124. INSTITUTE FOR ASIAN FEMINIST THEOLOGY
Korea
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To educate women in community and church leadership including leadership in development

125. INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT TRAINING
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve the health of women particularly those in developing countries by strengthening training systems especially within international ecumenical church networks.

126. INSTITUTE FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (ISED)
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To work towards achieving social, economic and political justice and equality for women.

127. INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S POLICY RESEARCH
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To provide independent scientific research on issues affecting women, and to ensure that relevant findings enter into the policy debate and affect public decisionmaking.

128. INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL STUDIES TRUST
India
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To undertake studies on poverty elimination with a focus on women, to run training and orientation programmes for effective integration of women in development and strengthen women's organizations.

129. INTER-REGIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN CLUB GEN CLUB
Russian Federation
Membership type: National
Relevance: To disseminate information on issues concerning the status of women and assist jobless women in their own businesses.

130. INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR CRIMINAL LAW REFORM AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY
Canada
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To develop training and advisory service to provide technical assistance for the problem of domestic violence and to focus on the issue of exploitation of women and children by organized crime.

131. INTERNATIONAL COALITION ON WOMEN AND CREDIT
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To address women's access to financial services and remove barriers to women's economic activities.

132. INTERNATIONAL CROSSCULTURAL BLACK WOMEN'S STUDIES INSTITUTE
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To serve as a forum for women of diverse national and cultural backgrounds.

133. INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS-KENYA CHAPTER
Kenya
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and enhance the legal status of women through education, information and advocacy and offer legal aid service to women.

134. INTERNATIONAL HEALTH AWARENESS NETWORK
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To educate, empower and provide health care to wômen and children with a focus on developing countries.

135. INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (INHURED INTERNATIONAL)
Nepal
Membership type: International
Relevance: To promote women's human rights, to protect environment for sustainable development and for world peace through education, training and research. To coordinate national preparatory activities for the Conference.

136. INTERNATIONAL REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS RESEARCH ACTION GROUP
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To conduct research on the social, economic, legal and political conditions and services that affect women's reproductive lives.

137. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S RIGHTS ACTION WATCH
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To educate about the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women and promote its implementation.

138. INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF EMPLOYMENT/BETTER LIFE INFORMAL COOP SECTOR EDUCATION SCHEME
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: Conducts functional literacy classes for women, and promotes skill formation.

139. ISIS INTERNATIONAL-MANILA
Philippines
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: To promote women's greater particiaption in the Fourth World Conference on Women and the NGO Forum by disseminating the latest information regarding the Conference and its preparatory processes.

140. ISIS-WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL CROSS-CULTURAL EXCHANGE (ISIS WICCE)
Uganda
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: To improve the economic, social and political status of women through an international exchange of information and promotion of ideas, actions and solidarity networks in order to help eliminate discrimination against women.

141. ISLAMIC WOMEN'S INSTITUTE OF IRAN (IWII)
Iran
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase poor women's income by assisting them in income generating activities and to increase the economic, social and political knowledge of women by offering appropriate courses and consulting services.

142. JOINT WOMEN'S PROGRAMME-CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND SOCIETY
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide training in leadership to women at the grassroots to equip them with skills for decision-making at all levels and lobby for changes in the laws, especially the laws related to women.

143. JORDANIAN NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION , THE (JNPC)
Jordan
Membership type: National
Relevance: Advises on population issues, undertakes population studies and programs on birth spacing and, formulates population strategy and policy.

144. KALAYAAN
United Kingdom
Membership type: National
Relevance: To restore basic human rights and provide support and legal advice to overseas resident domestic women workers.

145. KAMAL NARI SEWA KENDRA
Nepal
Membership type: National
Relevance: Provides literacy, income generating, health services and women in environmental protection programmes.

146. KARAKACHOFF FOUNDATION-COMMISSION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN
Argentina
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To promote the activities of women in political affairs and to defend women's rights.

147. KENYA MEDICAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION
Kenya
Membership type: National
Relevance: To coodinate the activities of all NGOs in the country in the thematic area of health and prepare NGO position paper.

148. KHEMARA
Cambodia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve the living conditions of disadvantaged families headed by women and enhance the leadership skills of women.

149. KOREA WOMAN'S HOTLINE
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women; eliminate violence against women and build a free, equal and unified society.

150. KOREA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION UNITED
Korea
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: Creates solidarity among various organizations in the women's movement and carries out activities related to women's welfare, labour and education.

151. KOREAN FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN
Korea
Membership type: National (Chapter of IFBPW)
Relevance: To promote the status of women and the working conditions of women.

152. KOREAN LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: Expands political participation of women voters.

153. KOREAN LEGAL AID CENTER FOR FAMILY RELATIONS
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: To contribute to improved family relations through counselling and legal aid.

154. KOREAN NATIONAL METHODIST WOMEN (WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE)
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: Encourages and educates women in a life of faith, to improve women's power and status.

155. KOREAN NURSES ASSOCIATION
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes high standards of nursing and nursing ethics and seeks to protect the human rights of its members.

156. KOREAN WOMEN WORKERS ASSOCIATIONS UNITED
Korea
Membership type: National
Relevance: Improves the political and economic status of women workers by establishing a political agenda for women workers and lobbying the government for legal and policy changes.

157. KOREAN WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE
Korea
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: Undertakes comprehensive gender research projects,provides education and training programmes to raise women's consciousness and develop women's potential.

158. LANDELIJK STEUNPUNT VROUWEN EN DE BIJSTAND
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve the situation of women and increase the opportunities of women with low income and promote women's rights and economic independency.

159. LANDELIJKE ORGANISATIE VAN SURINAAMSE VROUWEN
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote the advancement and economic independence of women.

160. LAUBACH LITERACY INTERNATIONAL
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To conduct literacy training with emphasis on women's empowerment.

161. LEBANESE COUNCIL OF WOMEN
Lebanon
Membership type: National
Relevance: Coordinates women's activities and helps women to fully participate in social, economic and political development.

162. MADARIPUR LEGAL AID ASSOCIATION (MLAA)
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide legal protection to women against torture and arbitrary divorce and to extend interest free loans to women in their effort to establish income earning projects for selfhelp.

163. MAGEE WOMENCARE INTERNATIONAL
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To enhance the health care and well being of women, infants and their families

164. MANUSHI (FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT)
Nepal
Membership type: National
Relevance: To consolidate data on women; support community initiatives for selfenhancement and undertake gender sensitization and gender analysis to taget groups at various levels.

165. MARIE STOPES INTERNATIONAL (MSI)
United Kingdom
Membership type: International
Relevance: To enable people to have children by choice not by chance by providing high quality family planning services and related healthcare and education.

166. MAURITIUS FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION
Mauritius
Membership type: National
Relevance: To assist in the development of social policies for the enhancement of women's status, women's empowerment and development.

167. MEDICAL MISSION SISTERS (SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC MEDICAL MISSIONARIES, GENERALATE, INC.)
United Kingdom
Membership type: International
Relevance: To undertake grassroots health and development programs; income-generating, leadership and management training which empower women and women's groups.

168. MEDITERRANEAN WOMEN'S FORUM
Spain
Membership type: Regional
Relevance: To create an information network and to promote the equal rights for women and the elimination of all legal, economic, political and social discrimination.

169. MEDUSA (DUTCH NATIONAL SERVICE AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE CONCERNING PREVENTION OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE)
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: To prevent sexual violence and provide health care to the victims.

170. METLHAETSILE WOMEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE
Botswana
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide education, training and legal assistance to poor women and assist women to deal with the effects of physical violence and, to make the Beijing Conference meaningful for local women by planning and executing specific activities.

171. MIDDLE EASTERN AND AFRICAN RESEARCH CENTRE/WALES (MERAWEC)
United Kingdom
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To encourage the study of gender issues in the Middle East and Africa, with special emphasis on women and children and to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas between scholars.

172. MOBILITY INTERNATIONAL U.S.A.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote international exchange and educational opportunities for people with disabilities and increase the opportunities available to women.

173. MS. FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To support efforts of women and girls to take control of their lives and influence the world around them; to fund women's self-help organizing efforts and pursue changes in public consciousness, law, philanthropy and social policy.

174. MULTIPLE ACTION RESEARCH GROUP (MARG)
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and undertake research on women and children with disabilities.

175. N.C.O.S (NATIONAL CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION)
Belgium
Membership type: National
Relevance: To collect and disseminate information, on gender and development; provide gender training and influence policy on gender issues.

176. N.M. SADGURU WATER AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION
India
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To involve women in natural resource management and enviromental protection.

177. NARIPOKKHO
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To advocate, study and conduct training on gender issues.

178. NATIONAL ACTION COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
Canada
Membership type: National
Relevance: To initiate and work for improvement in the status of women through changes in legislation, attitudes, customs and practices.

179. NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR WOMEN OF AFRICAN DESCENT
United Kingdom
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To provide a forum for women of African descent to exchange information and links members to the wider community both locally and nationally.

180. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF WOMEN
United Kingdom
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote full social, political, economic, legal and cultural equality for women.

181. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION IN UGANDA (NAWOU)
Uganda
Membership type: National
Relevance: Serves as focal point for NGOs preparatory activities for the Fourth World Conference on Women.

182. NATIONAL BLACK WOMEN'S HEALTH PROJECT, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: Assists women to build their capacity to define, promote the health and development of women and girls.

183. NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR WOMEN WORKERS OF THE ALL-CHINA FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS
China
Membership type: National
Relevance: To safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of women workers in politics, the economy, culture, society and the family.

184. NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR RESEARCH ON WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide resources for feminist research, policy analysis and educational programmes for women and girls.

185. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To work through a program of research, education, advocacy and community service to improve the quality of life for women, children and families and to ensure individual rights and freedoms for all.

186. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To strengthen the economic and social position of African-American women and their families and promote enforcement of civil rights especially women's rights.

187. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN DENMARK (DKN)
DENMARK
Membership type: National (Chapter ICW)
Relevance: To strengthen women's rights and promote equality between women and men.

188. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF AUSTRALIA INC. LTD.
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter ICW)
Relevance: To work for the removal of all legal discrimination against women and develop national policies on behalf of women on an Australia-wide basis.

189. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF GREAT BRITAIN
United Kingdom
Membership type: National (Chapter ICW)
Relevance: To improve the quality of life for all, eliminate discrimination against women and work for peace and international understanding.

190. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF KENYA
Kenya
Membership type: NATIONAL (Chapter ICW)
Relevance: To bring together women's associations for consultation on the action to be taken to promote their welfare and to fund-raise for projects in the areas of economic and political empowerment and education for women and girls.

191. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF THE PHILIPPINES
Philippines
Membership type: National (Chapter ICW)
Relevance: To assist and strengthen women's NGO's.

192. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SOCIETIES, NIGERIA
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes advancement of women, through education and training to encourage women to plan their role in the community.

193. NATIONAL NETWORK OF WOMEN'S FUNDS
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote the development of women's funds that empower women and girls; advocate increased funding and responsiveness to the concerns of women; promote multi-racial/class participation by women in addressing all forms of discrimination against women.

194. NATIONAL NGO PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR BEIJING
South Africa
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To organize women and men in activities for the improvement of women's position and to ensure full participation of women in society.

195. NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF ARAB-AMERICAN WOMEN, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To ensure representation of Arab-Americans in American political, social, economic and academic circles; provide assistance of Arab women through educational and training activities.

196. NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: Serves as a network to foster a positive ethnic identity among Italian-American women and supports the development of their social, educational, and economic goals.

197. NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHA'IS OF THE UNITED STATES
United States of America
Membership type: National (Chapter of Baha'I International)
Relevance: Supports spiritual and developmental efforts for the advancement of women.

198. NATIONAL WATCH ON IMAGES OF WOMEN IN THE MEDIA (MEDIAWATCH) INC.
Canada
Membership type: National
Relevance: To work for elimination of sexism in the media and seek to transform the media environment from one in which women are either invisible or steretyped.

199. NATIONAL WOMEN AND HIV/AIDS PROJECT, INC
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To support women living with HIV/AIDS through public policy training and networking and bring information to women on the grassroots level on policy, funding and issues related HIV/AIDS.

200. NATIONAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT (NWASEA)
Uganda
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women socially, improve their educational level and free them to participate fully in the development process.

201. NATIONAL WOMEN'S ECONOMIC ALLIANCE (NWEA)
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase career and economic opportunities for women in all sectors of society.

202. NATIONAL WOMEN'S POLITICAL CAUCUS
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase women's participation in the political process; to increase the number of feminist women in elected and appointed positions and to promote equality for women.

203. NEDERLANDSTALIGE NATIONALE VROUWENRAAD (DUTCH-SPEAKING NAT. COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF BELGIUM
Belgium
Membership type: National (Chapter IWC)
Relevance: To strive for a full participation of both men and women in social life on all levels.

204. NETHERLANDS ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN'S INTERESTS, WOMEN'S LABOUR AND EQUAL REPRESENTATION
The Netherlands
Membership type: National (Chapter IAW)
Relevance: Promotes women's interests, employment opportunities and policies for equality.

205. NETHERLANDS-BAHA'I COMMUNITY
The Netherlands
Membership type: National (Chapter of Baha'I International)
Relevance: Promotes spiritual and developmental advancement of women.

206. NIGERIAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
Nigeria
Membership type: National (Chapter of IFUW)
Relevance: To promote education for women and encourage women to participate in politics and policy-making.

207. NIZHNY NOVGOROD LEAGUE OF BUSINESSWOMEN
Russian Federation
Membership type: National
Relevance: To realize and protect the political, civil, social, economic rights and freedoms of businesswomen.

208. O LE SIOSIOMAGA SOCIETY INC.
Samoa
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and monitor environmental awareness; to create public awareness on environmental issues and stress women's contribution to environment and development.

209. OLDER WOMEN'S NETWORK (AUSTRALIA)
Australia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote appropriate policies and to lobby for legislation and other reform in issues affecting older women and their quality of life and to work for equality for all older women.

210. ORGANIZATION FOR DEFENDING VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE
Iran
Membership type: National
Relevance: To eliminate all forms of violence against women and sex-discrimination focusing on education.

211. OXFAM-QUEBEC
Canada
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote women 's participation in various activities to improve teir situation. It is active in providing taining and employment for women. It is encouraging exchange of experience and new ideas between women all over the world.

212. PALESTINE HUMAN RIGHTS INFORMATION CENTER
Israel
Membership type: National
Relevance: To advocate and intervene for the protection and relief of human rights victims and to promote awareness of the rights of women and children.

213. PAN PACIFIC AND SOUTH EAST ASIA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA, THE
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of PSSEAWA)
Relevance: To identify needs and problems of and to protect the status of women and children , and to promote cooperation among women for the study and implementation of social, economic and cultural conditions.

214. PAN PACIFIC AND SOUTH EAST ASIA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND, THE
Thailand
Membership type: National (Chapter of PPSEAWA)
Relevance: To promote understanding and friendship among women from the Pacific basin and other regions.

215. PATHFINDER INTERNATIONAL
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To increase availability of quality family planning services and provide technical/financial assistance, contraceptive supplies and equipment in developing countries.

216. PAYOKE, V.Z.W.
Belgium
Membership type: National
Relevance: To offer support, help and guidance to women in prostitution.

217. PEACE AND COOPERATION
Spain
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote education for peace; to defend the environment and to sponsor projects that promote cooperation for development and solidarity.

218. PETERSBURG WOMEN'S CENTRE (RUSSIA)
Russian Federation
Membership type: National
Relevance: Seeks to build an equal and non-violent world.

219. PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION OF NIGERIA
Nigiera
Membership type: National (Chapter of IPPF)
Relevance: Seeks to provide family planning and promote improvements in women's health.

220. POPULATION REFERENCE BUREAU, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To gather, interpret and disseminate information about population and to give women an informational tool for understanding and acting on family planning and reproductive health options within the contect of their national culture.

221. POPULATION RESOURCE CENTRE, THE, INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve policy development by enabling decision makers to gain access to and knowledge of the latest research on the effects of demographic change and international policy issues and to undertake programs presented on women and retirement and aging.

222. PRADAN (PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTION)
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: Assists poor women through credit and income generating activities.

223. PROGRAMME AGAINST MALNUTRITION
Zambia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To alleviate poverty among women through participation of women in decision-making on suitable projects for income generation and soil conservation and to increase women's project design and implementation skills.

224. PROGRESSIVE ASSISTANCE FOR SOCIAL SERVICE
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women and children through non-formal education, conciousness raising, training, organization-building and resource mobilization.

225. PUBLIC UNION ON WOMEN'S AFFAIRS, DEFENDING THE CAUSES OF FAMILY, MATERNITY AND CHILDHOOD
Russian Federation
Membership type: National
Relevance: To defend women and children's rights, to consolidate the family and develop women's abilities to participate in social and state activities and business.

226. QUEEN ALIA FUND FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
Jordan
Membership type: National
Relevance: Seeks to involve women in development and increase their participation in self-help community and income-generating activities.

227. RED CRESCENT SOCIETY OF UZBEKISTAN
Uzbekistan
Membership type: National
Relevance: To assist poor families through programs on health education.

228. REDEHREDE DE DEFESA DA ESPECIE HUMANA
Brazil
Membership type: National
Relevance: To conduct, research and disseminate information about women's health, and new reproductive technologies.

229. REFUGE
United Kingdom
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide support to women and children escaping from domestic violence and to educate and influence policy and legislation on domestic violence.

230. REGIONAL WOMEN'S COMMERCIAL CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION ANNA RUSSIAN FEDERATION
Membership type: National
Relevance: Provides a forum for business women and women managers of enterprises and training for women in health, politics and business.

231. RESEAU SOUS-REGIONAL FEMMES AFRICAINES ET DROITS HUMAINS (REFAD)
Burkina Faso
Membership type: International
Relevance: To promote research on women's rights and influence public opinion on gender issues.

232. RESULTS. INC.
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: Advocates for programs that benefit the poorest of the poor. women and children, and lobbies for support to poor women around the world.

233. RUK RAKAGANNO (THE TREE SOCIETY) WOMEN'S ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE
Sri Lanka
Membership type: National
Relevance: Seeks to educate and raise awareness on environmental conservation and protection and the role of women.

234. RURAL DEVELOPMENT LEADERSHIP NETWORK
United States of America
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To increase the supply of skilled rural development workers, particularly women and members of minority groups and to engage in research with respect to rural development.

235. RURAL SOCIAL SCIENCE NETWORK
Bangladesh
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To identify the research needs in rural and agricultural sectors, emphasizing the gender dimensions and conduct workshops and seminars on poverty and women-related issues.

236. SCOTTISH JOINT ACTION GROUP
United Kingdom
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote the equal particiaption of women, irrespective of race, religion or age, in decision making and policy formulation at all levels.

237. SEARCH
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower marginalised people, including women; to conduct gender training and provide training to women representatives.

238. SERVICE FOR UNPRIVILEGED SECTION OF SOCIETY (SUSS)
Nepal
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide free legal aid and conselling services to indigent women, to arouse legal awareness of their rights by conducting legal literacy classes and to study issues related to women's rights.

239. SERVICIO PAZ Y JUSTICIA, SERPAJ, BOLIVIA
Bolivia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote human rights and a culture of peace, at the grassroot level and within the church.

240. SHIRKAT GAH WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTRE
Pakistan
Membership type: National
Relevance: To encourage and support programmes for the participation of women in national development.

241. SINGAPORE COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS
Singapore
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and improve the status of women and strengthen women's organizations.

242. SNV-BENIN
Benin
Membership type: National
Relevance: To increase the social, economic and political empowerment of groups of poor, discriminated and oppressed women.

243. SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
Australia
Membership type: International
Relevance: To work with poor women in development and help fund projects in the area of development and skills training in partner countries.

244. SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF GREECE
Greece
Membership type: National (Chapter of Soroptimist Intl.)
Relevance: Promotes human rights for all people, and in particular advancement of the status of women; encourages young women to be involved with professions not traditionally occupied by women.

245. SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL-BANGLADESH
Bangladesh
Membership type: National (Chapter of Soroptimist Intl.)
Relevance: Encourages protection of women's human rights and advancement of women and girls in professional fields.

246. SOS-SEXISME
France
Membership type: National
Relevance: To fight against all forms of sexual violence against women both in the family and in society.

247. SOUTH AFRICAN ASSOCIATION FOR LITERACY AND ADULT EDUCATION
South Africa
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and encourage literacy and adult education ; to engage in a national gender training program and to enable women to take a leadership role.

248. SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN STUDIES
Bangladesh
Membership type: International
Relevance: To network among individuals, organizations and institutions engaged in education, action and research for women's development and to promote .exchange and disseminate information.

249. STICHTING PROJEKTA/ FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
Suriname
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To fully integrate women in the development process and to provide service aimed at promoting socio-economic and cultural development with special emphasis on women and children.

250. STICHTING TEHUIS VOOR VROUWEN IN CRISISSITUATIES
Suriname
Membership type: National
Relevance: To serve the interest of all women in crisis irrespective of race and creed and to provide shelter and guidance to violated, battered and raped women.

251. STICHTING TIYE INTERNATIONAL
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes effective participation of black women in social and political sectors at all levels.

252. SWISS COALITION OF DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS
Switzerland
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To represent the interests of the poor and the disadvantaged populations of developing countries and disseminate information on specific questions concerning women and development.

253. TANZANIA ASSOCIATION OF NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (TANGO)
Tanzania
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To act as a unifying organ among ngos and to establish a forum for coordination and systematic exchange of information and experience. Serves as lead NGO to coordinate preparatory work for the regional meeting and the Conference.

254. TANZANIA GENDER NETWORKING PROGRAMME (TGNP)
Tanzania
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: To promote the process of gender equality, the empowerment of women and the transformation of society at all levels.

255. TERRE DES FEMMES HUMAN RIGHTS FOR WOMEN
Germany
Membership type: National
Relevance: To fight against all forms of human rights violations against women.

256. TERRE VIVANTE
Mauritania
Membership type: National
Relevance: To fight against poverty, racism, sexism, and promote and assist women's activities.

257. UGANDA ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAYWERS (FIDA UGANDA)
Uganda
Membership type: National (Chapter of FIDA)
Relevance: To promote unity and communication among women lawyers; to take law to the lay women and to increase women's awareness of their rights.

258. UNION DE L' ACTION FEMININE (W.A.F.)
Morocco
Membership type: National
Relevance: To defend the rights of women for equality in all fields of life.

259. UNION DE MUJERES DE LA ARGENTINA
Argentina
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote integration of women into society and conduct training for women.

260. UNION OF PALESTINIAN MEDICAL RELIEF COMMITTEES
Israel
Membership type: National
Relevance: To deliver primary health care services to rural areas including a women's health programme.

261. UNIVERSITY PROGRAM OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES
Mexico
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To coodinate and update research, teaching and cultural projects on gender issues and to set up an information center to support diverse academic activities.

262. UNNAYAN SHAHOJOGY TEAM (UST)
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: To help disadvantaged rural women to be empowered and self-reliant.

263. VIETNAM WOMEN'S UNION
Vietnam
Membership type: National
Relevance: To represent and protect women and children's rights and interests.

264. VIETNAMESE WOMEN OVERSEAS ASSOCIATION
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To assist Vietnamese women overseas to adjust to new technologies; obtain education and opportunities for employment, and have legal protection from domestic abuse, and exercise voting rights.

265. VROUWENBERAAD ONTWIKKELINGSSAMENWERKING (VBOS)
The Netherlands
Membership type: National
Relevance: To work towards equality between men and women, rich and poor; change gender relations and role patterns and stereotyped male and female images.

266. WELLSTRART INTERNATIONAL
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To advance the education of perinatal health care professionals such as lactation specialists.

267. WESTERN SAMOA FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION
Samao
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote and support the wide distribution of information and service delivery on maternal/child health, family planning and reproductive health, with particular emphasis on women and young people.

268. WINROCK INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT-WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM
United States of America
Membership type: International
Relevance: To promote women's leadership at the policy and decision-making levels in agriculture and environmental policy, research , extension and entrepreneurship.

269. WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
Sudan
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To raise awareness on women issues, and generate an integrated body of analysis on gender relations.

270. WOMEN AND MEDIA COLLECTIVE, THE
Sri Lanka
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: Studies the existing media in relation to the role and portrayal of women and acts as a resource group in the field of communications. Serves as convener of the national women's NGO Forum for Beijing 95.

271. WOMEN CULTURAL SOCIAL SOCIETY, THE
Kuwait
Membership type: National
Relevance: To raise the educational and cultural level of women and to increase their awareness of both their rights and responsibilities.

272. WOMEN DEVELOPMENT FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION (WODSTA)
Tanzania
Membership type: National
Relevance: Builds women's economic skills.

273. WOMEN FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND ARBITRATION
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To educate women in their role as peacemakers, eliminate prejudices, promote equality between men and women and channel public opinion for peaceful settlement of international disputes.

274. WOMEN FOR MEANINGFUL SUMMITS
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: Seeks to support women's efforts to slow the arms race and create a more just and peaceful world.

275. WOMEN FOR MUTUAL SECURITY
Greece
Membership type: International
Relevance: To work with women of the world to de-militarize international relations and confront the defense and political decision-makers on nuclear weapons and conflict resolution.

276. WOMEN FOR WOMEN
Bangladesh
Membership type: National
Relevance: Studies and promotes women and development and creates awareness particularly among policy makers and public officials of the need to enhance women's status.

277. WOMEN FORUM
Sudan
Membership type: National
Relevance: Links women at the grassroots level and raises women's awareness on health, environmental, social, legal aspects and harmful traditional practices.

278. WOMEN IN NIGERIA (WIN)
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women and girls through research, advocacy, dissemination of information, and awareness programmes.

279. WOMEN OF ALL COLORS
United States of America
Membership type: National (Network)
Relevance: Creates space for women of all colors and classes to work democratically and cooperatively to improve the overall quality of women's lives, their communities and families.

280. WOMEN OF GEORGIA FOR PEACE
Georgia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To empower women at all levels of society to support human rights and assist refugees.

281. WOMEN ORGANIZED RESOURCES FOR LIBERIA'S DEVELOPMENT, INC. (WORLD INC.)
United States of America
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide resources for education, health care, social services and economic assistance for women and children within Liberia and those taking refuge in neighboring countries.

282. WOMEN'S ACTION RESEARCH AND LEGAL ACTION FOR WOMEN TRUST
India
Membership type: Foundation
Relevance: To use trial litigation to defeat perpetrators of domestic violence and ensure that women have access to justice through the law.

283. WOMEN'S AID ORGANIZATION, MALAYSIA
Malaysia
Membership type: National
Relevance: To provide refuge for women and their children who are suffering mental and physical harassment and other forms of violence and encourage these women to determine their own futures and help them achieve it.

284. WOMEN'S EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH CENTER
Sri Lanka
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To study various aspects of women's subordination in order to sensitize men and women on gender issues and disseminate information on feminist issues.

285. WOMEN'S ELECTORAL LOBBY
Australia
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes achievement of social, educational and sexual equality for women, and lobbies for the implementation of procedures and enactment of legislation to benefit women.

286. WOMEN'S FORUM SCOTLAND
United Kingdom
Membership type: National
Relevance: To promote equality of opportunity and the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women.

287. WOMEN'S HEALTH ORGANIZATION OF NIGERIA
Nigeria
Membership type: National
Relevance: Strengthens the capacity of the women's groups at the grassroots level, in responding to women's health needs and gives technical assistance in addressing women's health and development issues.

288. WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM (AUSTRALIAN SECTION)
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of WILPF)
Relevance: Promotes women's efforts to promote peace and human rights.

289. WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL STUDIES EUROPE (WISE)
The Netherlands
Membership type: International
Relevance: Promotes knowledge to improve the quality of women's lives, and advocates on a global level for women's studies.

290. WOMEN'S SOCIO-CULTURAL SOCIETY (WSCS)
Kuwait
Membership type: National
Relevance: To help women play their role in the fields of culture and health.

291. WOMEN'S SOLIDARITY FOR JUSTICE
India
Membership type: National
Relevance: Assists assaulted women through legal and nonviolent methods and works to obtain seats for women in every legislature.

292. WOMEN'S STUDIES CENTER
United States of America
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: Develops and coordinates women's studies courses, and to promote gender research.

293. WOMEN'S UNION OF RUSSIA, THE, (WUR)
Russian Federation
Membership type: National
Relevance: To improve women's status in society and women's living standard and help women adapt to the economic reform.

294. WOMEN, LAW AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Nigeria
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: To offer free advisory and counselling services to women on legal and economic matters and serve as a resource base for researchers and academics interested in gender.

295. WOMEN, POLITICS AND DEVELOPING NATIONS-INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION RESEARCH COMMITTEE-7
India
Membership type: Academic
Relevance: Focuses on issues of development, gender inequality and decision-making; conducts workshops, seminars relevant to the major themes of the FWCW.

296. WORLD UNION OF CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of WUCWO)
Relevance: Promotes better living standards for women and participation of women in religions and other activities.

297. WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE OF CANADA
Canada
Membership type: National (Chapter of WUS)
Relevance: To foster sustainable, global human development through education and cooperation and to undertake programs supporting women refugees.

298. WORLD WOMEN'S VETERINARY ASSOCIATION
Canada
Membership type: International (Network)
Relevance: To apply science to the alleviation of poverty with a particular focus on women and children.

299. YWCA OF AUSTRALIA
Australia
Membership type: National (Chapter of YWCA)
Relevance: Promotes young women's development and access to opportunities.

300. YWCA OF KOREA
Korea
Membership type: National (Chapter of YWCA)
Relevance: Supports opportunities for development of young women.

301. YWCA OF USA
United States of America
Membership type: National (Chapter of YWCA)
Relevance: Provides services to the community and promotes women's advancement.

302. ZAMBIA ASSOCIATION OF MEDIA WOMEN
Zambia
Membership type: National
Relevance: Promotes a positive image of women in the media and works for equal employment and educational opportunities for media women.